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SECTION I GENERAL

- 1. Purpose and Scope. This TOP describes test procedures for evaluating the operational and performance characteristics of bakery equipment. Equipment covered includes: flour sifters, dough mixers, dough troughs, dividing machines, molding machines, mixing and make-up outfits, proofing cabinets, ovens and accessory sets. From the tests listed in Section II, the test director can select those that will satisfy the requirements for the particular test item and the particular test type (i.e., engineering test, initial production test, etc.). This document provides for simulated environmental testing but does not include service testing or environmental testing at climatic test sites.
- 2. Background. To produce bread and other bakery products for the field Army, the Faker must not only be skilled in his trade and have good ingredients to work with, but he must also have a modern, well-designed, efficient, easy-to-operate bakery plant in which to prepare his dough and bake his bread and pastry. A field bakery may be staffed by a detachment, a saction, or a platoon. It may be either a mobile bakery (trailer mounted eq. pment) or a portable bakery (usually limited to detachment size) used principally to increase the capability of an element of a mobile field bakery. Field bakery elements are located in functionalized companies such as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Supply and Service Battalion, Direct Support and Field Service General

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Support Company, Forward. To keep pace with he highly mobile army of today, a field bakery must also have high mobility. While the major components of a bakery plant (i.e., flour silter, dough mixing machine, dough troughs, dividers, moulders, proofing tabinets, ovens and bread racks) together with over a hundred other makeller components and accessories may be designed for efficient tanaport in general purpose vehicles, a much more efficient scheme is to build the mixing machine together with the divider and moulder into a trailer mounted unit and the oven into another such unit. To further increase the efficiency, reliability and ease of operation, inter mounted by a portable or trailer mounted power generator.

3. Equipment and Facilities. In addition to the equipment and facilities defined in the documents listed it faction II, a supply of ingredients for straight dough garrison sheet bread and a bakery accessory set are required to perform the procedures defined by paragraphs 6 and 7.

SECTION II TEST PROCEDURES

4. Supporting Tests. Common Engineering MTPs/TOPs, Military Star ards, the tests defined in Section III, and other published documents to be considered in formulating a test plan are as follows:

| a. | TEST SUBJECT TITLE Pre-operational Inspection (1) Operator Training & Familiarization (2) Photographic Coverage | PUBLICATION NO. 10-3-500 10-2-501 7-3-519 |
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| ъ. | • | 10-2-500 ASTM |
| | (1) Cellular Hard Board (a) Water Absorption | D-1056-68 |
| | (b) Density (pounds/cu ft) | D-1565-70 |
| | (c) Compressive strength (psi) | D-1621-64 |
| | (2) Preformed Polyurethane Board Density (Refer to para 5) | |
| c. | Safety | 10-2-508 |
| d. | Performance Tests | |
| | (1) Mechanical Flour Sifter (Refer to para 6) | |
| | (2) Dough Mixing Machine (Refer to para 7) | |
| | (3) Lough Troughs Superior Section 1997 Sect | Para 4.5 |

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| | (4) | TEST SUBJECT TITLE Dough Dividing Machines | PUBLICATION NO. MIL-D-2471D |
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| | (4) | MANGE NEA YORTH UNCHTERED | Para 4.5 |
| | (5) | Dough Molding Machine | MIL-D-2477C |
| | (0) | | Para 4.5 |
| | (6) | Dough Mixing and Make-Up Outfit | MIL-D-43490A |
| | | | Para 4.4 |
| | (7) | Dough Proofing Cabinet | MIL-C-40100B |
| | • | (a) Insulation | Para 4.3.1.1 |
| | | (b) Temperature and humidity | Para 4,4.1 |
| | (8) | Bakery Oven | |
| | | (a) Trailer mounted | MIL-B-12570C |
| | | | Para 4.4 |
| | | (b) Portable | MXL-0-43085A |
| | | Burner Unit | MIL-B-0040098D |
| | | (c) Non-Portable | MIL-0-43633 |
| | | | Para 4.5 |
| | (9) | Bakery Accessory Set | MIL-B-43322 |
| | | | Para 2.1 |
| e. | Envir | onmental Testing | MIL-STD-810B |
| | (1) | Temperature | Method 501 |
| | (2) | Sunshine | 4-2-826 |
| | | Rain | 2-2-815 |
| | (4) | Humidity | 4-2-820 |
| | (5) | Fungus | 4-2-818 |
| | (6) | Salt Fog | MIL-STD-810B |
| | | | Method 509 |
| | (7) | Dust Test | Method 510 |
| | (8) | Vibration | 4-2-804 |
| | (9) | Rough Handling | 4-2-602 |
| | (10) | Electromagnetic Interference | MIL-STD-461A |
| | | Characteristics | Notice 4 |
| | | | MIL-STD-462 Notice 3 |
| | | | Method RE05 |
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| f. | | portability | |
| | (1) | Road, Rail, Marine | 10-2-503 |
| | (2) | Air | 7-2-515 |
| g. | Human | Factors Evaluation | 10-2-505 |
| ٥. | Noise | | HEL-STD |
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| h. | Relds | bility | MIL-STD-781B |
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| i. | TEST SUBJECT TITLE Durability | PUBLICATION NO. 10-2-502 |
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| j. | Maintenance Evaluation | 10-2-507 |
| k. | Value Analysis | USAMC SUPPL 1 |

SECTION III SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONS

5. Preformed Polyurethane Board.

- a. Objective. To determine the density of preformed polyurethane board.
- b. Method. Each of three random samples of any convenient size is weighed to the nearest tenth of a pound and its dimensions accurately determined.
 - c. Data Required.
 - (1) Weight of each sample.
 - (2) Dimensions of each sample.
- d. Analytical Plan. The density in pounds per cubic foot is calculated for each sample. The results are averaged and compared to the density of the insulation required by the MN to determine conformance to specifications.

6. Mechanical Flour Sifter.

- a. Objective. To determine the ability of the flour sifter to aerate the flour and remove any extraneous material that may be present.
- b. Method. The sifter hopper is filled with contaminated flour and after operation, the sifted flour is examined by experienced master bakers to evaluate contamination removal and aeration provided by the sifter.
- c. Data Required. Nomenclature of the test item and written evaluations prepared by each master bake.
- d. Analytical Plan. Summarize and analyze the evaluations of each baker and compare with the requirements of the MN to determine conformance to specifications.

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7. Dough Mixing Machine.

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- a. Objective. To determine the operational and functional performance of a dough mixing machine.
- b. Method. The test item is operated, without load, for a period of one hour. During this time the agitator is activated and deactivated, the bowl tilted and returned to the upright position and operation of all controls checked. Ingredients, prepared in accordance with TM 10-410 (appendix), are then loaded into the mixer in the prescribed order. The mixer is operated to mix and develop the dough. An experienced master baker determines when the dough is ready for proofing.
 - c. Data Required.
 - (1) Nomenclature of the test item.
 - (2) Time to mix and develop the dough.
- (3) Written comments of the master baker in regard to gluten development, elasticity and smoothness of mix.
- d. Analytical Plan. Summarize and analyze the written comments of the master baker in regard to gluten development, elasticity and smoothness of the mixed dough and compare with the requirements of the MN to determine conformance to specifications.

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